



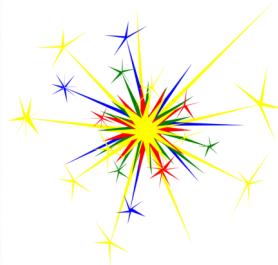
# CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, July 14, 2023

## Parks and Recreation

### 4th of July Thank You!

Many heartfelt thanks to the fabulous volunteers, DuPont Lions, DuPont Historical Society, 4th of July Planning Committee, Northwest Landing ROA, Patriots Landing, and many more who helped make our July 4th celebration a safe and memorable celebration for all!





# Parks and Recreation

## ***Come to the Farmers Market!***

The next Farmers Market will be July 20th at Clocktower Park. Residents and visitors are invited to enjoy fresh fruits & vegetables, flowers, cheese, local artists, and much more. Can't wait to see you!



**Thursday's 3:00 - 7:00 PM**  
**June 1 - August 17, 2023**  
**Clocktower Park**  
**Upcoming Market Dates:**  
**July 20, 27**  
**August 3, 10, 17**



***Do you love our City?***  
***Well, we do too!***

For a limited time, this summer, signs celebrating your favorite City will be available at the Farmers Market and during our 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration for just \$20.00 plus tax. These signs go quickly and will be available under the yellow Parks & Recreation tent. All proceeds support City of DuPont Parks & Recreation. Thank you for your support!

## ***Steak Benefit Dinner in the Park***

Help us kick off the **Annual Hudson Bay Day BBQ competition** by attending a benefit dinner for Parks & Recreation on **Friday, August 18th** at Clocktower Park. Enjoy a steak dinner grilled to perfection by our BBQ chefs, live music, beer/wine and a fabulous dessert bar. Tickets are just \$50 and all proceeds benefit City of DuPont Parks & Recreation and the America Legion.

**Tickets can be purchased here:**

[DuPont-Hudson's Bay Festival & BBQ Competition | DuPont, WA - Official Website \(dupontwa.gov\)](https://www.dupontwa.gov/duPont-Hudson's-Bay-Festival-&-BBQ-Competition)

## **Pierce County Trails Day - DuPont, WA**



### ***Sequalishoot ~***

***"Nature never goes out of style!"***

The SequaliShoot Photo Challenge asks photographers to take their best shot of any of DuPont's trails – in 24 hours. Participants are asked to submit up to three images for judging. There are two categories of judging and awards – one for youth up to age 17 and the other for adults 18 and older. July 29 & 30, 2023.

<https://dupontwaphoto.com/photo-experiences/>

## **Steak Dinner in the Park**

**Friday, August 18th**  
**6:30 PM**

All proceeds benefit  
City of DuPont  
Parks & Recreation  
& the American Legion

**\$50**

*Includes steak grilled to perfection by barbecue chefs, baked potato, salad, dessert bar & two drink tickets for beer or wine.*

**I.D. REQUIRED TO CONSUME ALCOHOL**

**Tickets must be purchased in advance, seating is limited.**

For more info on  
DuPont-Hudson  
Bay Heritage Days!



**CLOCKTOWER PARK -**  
**1400 PALISADE BLVD.**  
**DUPONT, WA. 98327**

Sponsored by: **Sysco**



# Parks and Recreation



## Fairy Trails *do* come true!

Frolic down Sequelitchew Creek Trail on July 29<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in your most whimsical summer outfit while joined by magical creature creatures from faraway lands. As you venture down the trail, be on the lookout for enchanted characters and houses they live in. After the walk, return to City Hall Council Chambers for snacks and crafts for the kids. Tickets are \$10 per child. <https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids>

## Summer, Stories and Crafts oh My!

In collaboration with the DuPont Library, Parks & Recreation invites families to attend Summer, Stories and Crafts beginning Wednesday, June 28th at Ross Plaza. This is a free program and kids must be accompanied by an adult. Topics include farm animals, ocean critters, frogs, sports, and lots of other kid friendly topics!

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids>

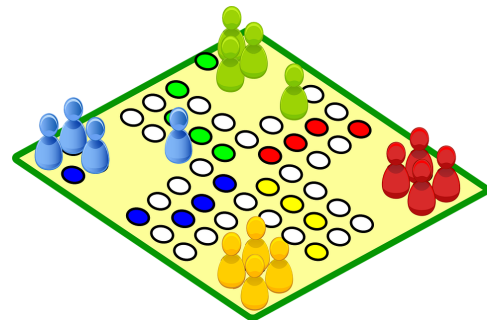


## Game on!

### Come play against friends and family!

Come to the DuPont Museum on the last Sunday of each month to play board games! Games and snacks will be provided but you can also bring your own game to share. The next Board Game Day will be Sunday, July 30th.

**DuPont Historical Museum - 207  
Barksdale Ave., DuPont**



## I-5, Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements



**DuPont residents, please see the information below as it could affect travel times this summer!**

The WSDOT contractor has started the geotechnical investigation for the I-5, Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements Project.

**WSDOT Project overview (from website):** to relieve chronic traffic congestion and improve mobility along I-5 in the vicinity of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WSDOT will rebuild the interchange of Steilacoom-DuPont Road (Exit 119) and adding HOV lanes to I-5. This will support congestion relief on I-5 during peak traffic periods while maintaining access to neighboring communities and JBLM. The new interchange includes grade separation of the roadway over the railroad. Construction is expected to begin in late summer 2023. Travelers will see shifted lanes, overnight lane and ramp closures, reduced speed limit in work zones, and potentially short and long-term ramp closures.

This project could affect your commute at times and bike routes, so please check WSDOT's website at the link below for the latest project updates. WSDOT contact information for this project can be found at the link below and then clicking on the contact tab towards the bottom of the webpage. Please be advised that a new bike route will take effect on August 1, 2023. More information will be forthcoming.

For more information please visit: [I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. - Corridor Improvements | WSDOT \(wa.gov\)](#).

*"Beware of little expenses. A small leak will sink a great ship."*

Benjamin Franklin



### THE FACTS ON LEAKS

10 percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day

A leaky faucet dripping at the rate of one drip per second can waste more than **3,000 gallons** per year

Replace old toilets with WaterSense models & save

**13,000** gallons of water savings for the average family

Homeowners can save

10 percent on their water bills

look for

Meets EPA Criteria

### Did you know?

Minor water leaks account for nearly

**1** trillion gallons of wasted water each year and is equal to annual household water use in nearly

**11** million homes

A shower leaking at **10 Drips** per minute wastes more than **500** gallons per year

### Repair

leaks by checking faucet washers and gaskets for wear and replacing them if necessary

epa.gov/watersense

# Community News



## CITYWIDE YARD SALE!

**Saturday, August 5**

As a reminder, this is not a city sponsored event. Residents are responsible for their own advertising and must take their signs down after the sale.

School is out for summer and our staff have been actively planning for a great 2023-24 school year. As part of that planning process, we have been developing a district budget for next year that is both responsible and addresses the needs of students.

**The school board held a public hearing on the draft budget on June 21 and will hold another public hearing on July 19 where they will consider the budget for final adoption. Our complete 2023-24 budget document is available on the school district website at: [www.steilacoom.k12.wa.us/budget](http://www.steilacoom.k12.wa.us/budget).**

In addition to the budget, the school board will also be considering whether to ask voters to consider a short term capital projects levy. Since voter approval fell just short of the required 60% threshold for the bond proposal, the levy proposal would address some of the most pressing capital project issues of the district as the district continues to do outreach with the community about a future bond proposal. If you have comments or thoughts about this idea, please let us know at [info@steilacoom.k12.wa.us](mailto:info@steilacoom.k12.wa.us).

I want to thank our amazing community for their support over the past school year and look forward to a great 2023-24 school year!

Sincerely,

K. Weight

Dr. Kathi Weight, Superintendent



## City News

### MUNICIPAL POSITION OPENING!

The City of DuPont is looking for a citizen to fill a vacant position on the Planning Commission. The purpose of the Planning Commission is to advise the City Council on General Land Use, Growth Management, Long-Range Capital Improvement Plans, and Transportation Planning. For citizens interested in applying, detailed information the Planning Commission's responsibilities and meeting times can be found on the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/83/Commissions>.

**The current application can be found at: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/512/Vacancies>.**

### DUPONT SALES TAX INCREASE

Sales tax rate has increased from 9.4% to 9.5% starting July 1.

Please see below for tax rate lookup table:

<https://webgis.dor.wa.gov/taxratelookup/SalesTax.aspx>

What brings this change? Pierce County Sales and use tax within Pierce County, except for Tacoma, will increase one-tenth of one percent (.001). The tax will be used for housing and related services.



# DuPont Police Department



## Weekly Activity Report

*Duty \* Professionalism \* Dedication*



Total Calls for Service 06/26/23 – 07/09/23: 499

Average per day: 35.64

The "Total Calls for Service" statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

### EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

- 110 Traffic Stops
- 19 9-1-1 Calls – Accidental
- 15 Agency Assists
- 03 Citizens Assist
- 04 Community Oriented Policing
- 12 Fireworks Complaints
- 04 Juvenile Issues
- 01 Motor Vehicle Collisions
- 13 Animal Complaints
- 01 Boating Incident–multi agency response
- 01 Disorderly – Verbal Altercation
- 02 Disorderly – Neighbor Dispute
- 01 Narcotics Activity – unable to locate
- 02 Sex Offender Verifications
- 02 Suicide Threats
- 01 Lewd Conduct
- 01 Unwanted Loiterer
- 01 Contact with unsheltered individual
- 10 Suspicious Vehicles
- 01 Traffic Complaint
- 01 Runaway
- 06 Welfare Checks

### PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

- 03 Residential Burglaries
- 02 Motor Vehicle Hit Collision / Hit & Run
- 01 Attempted Motor Vehicle Theft
- 02 Thefts
- 01 Shoplift
- 03 Theft from vehicle
- 01 Vandalism
- 01 Stolen Vehicle Recovery

### CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

- 01 Violation of Protection Order Kidnapping -Abduction/Unlawful Imprisonment, Family/Domestic Offense - Nonviolent/ Interfering
- 01 Violation of Protection Order

### ARRESTS/REFERRALS

- 01 Arrest - Violation of Protection Order, Kidnapping-Abduction/Unlawful Imprisonment, Family/Domestic Offense - Nonviolent/Interfering
- 01 Arrest - Violation of Protection Order

### DEPARTMENT NEWS

- Officers conducted traffic control and event security on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade route and were present at Clocktower Park for the activities that followed. Later that evening, officers were visible throughout the fireworks show at Patriots Landing to help ensure the safety and security of the event.
- Multiple traffic emphases were conducted within the city.

### REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
  - To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
  - If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060
- If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at [Police@dupontwa.gov](mailto:Police@dupontwa.gov) or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

### DOWNLOAD THE DUPONT POLICE APP TODAY!



Download on the  
App Store

ANDROID APP ON  
Google play

# DuPont Fire Department

**Response Information:** The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the “Current” column are statistics from the past week and the “Year” statistics include all responses since January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.



(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other		1	3
(11) Structure Fire	Fire out	1	4
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire	Motor Home	1	4
(14) Natural vegetation fire			4
(15) Outside rubbish fire			0
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition			1
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other			0
(31) Medical assist			5
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		22	339
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries		2	13
(33) Lock-In			0
(35) Extrication, rescue			0
(36) Water or ice-related rescue	Boat taking water	1	1
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other			0
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks			5
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition			2
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem			1
(50) Service call, other		1	19
(51) Person in distress			5
(52) Water problem			4
(53) Smoke, odor problem			2
(54) Animal problem or rescue			0
(55) Public service assistance		2	18
(56) Unauthorized burning			1
(60) Good intent call, other		2	7
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route		1	28
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found		2	3
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke		1	8
(70) False alarm and false call, other			5
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm			0
(73) System or detector malfunction		1	20
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)		1	7
(91) Citizen complaint			1
Unknown			0
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>510</b>

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore		1
Madigan	10	72
Mary Bridge	1	39
St. Clare	6	69
St. Joseph		19
St. Peters	1	7
Tacoma General		9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>216</b>

<b>ALS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>211</b>
<b>BLS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>126</b>

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	5	99
0800-1649	12	235
1700-2359	22	167
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>501</b>

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	2	61
Monday	6	65
Tuesday	2	63
Wednesday	8	97
Thursday	9	86
Friday	2	66
Saturday	10	68
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>506</b>

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	5	36
DPF Provided	2	24
Multiple Calls	7	54

## Safety Message – Child Window Safety

From the moment our babies start to crawl, the world is a magical place filled with new adventures and discoveries. We want to create an environment where kids have the freedom to explore and discover and have fun. That means taking a few precautions around the house to minimize the risk of serious injuries. One place to start is by checking out your window situation, and this is a great time to do it. Here are few things to think about so those expeditions around the house continue to be fun and safe.

### THREE THINGS YOU CAN DO

- **Install Window Guards and Stops.** Screens are meant to keep bugs out, not children in. Properly installed window guards prevent unintentional window falls. For windows above the first floor, include an emergency release device in case of fire. Window stops are also a great idea. They allow fresh air and a cross breeze and still ensure windows can't open wide enough for kids to fall out.
- **Open Windows from the Top and Close After Use.** If you have windows that can open from both top and bottom, make a habit of opening just the top to prevent accidental falls. Keep in mind that as kids grow, they may have enough strength, dexterity and curiosity to open the bottom so try to keep windows locked and closed when they are not being used.
- **Keep Kids From Climbing Near Windows.** For your crawlers and climbers, move chairs, cribs and other furniture away from windows to help prevent window falls. Never move a child who appears to be seriously injured after a fall — call 911 and let trained medical personnel move the child with proper precautions.

# City Council and Calendars

## 7/11/2023 Regular City Council Meeting Overview:

Res. No. 23-009 awarded the PFAS Treatment Facilities Project to McClure and Sons, LLC.



### Helpful Meeting Links:

- ◇ **City of DuPont Meetings** can be watched live or later at:  
City's YouTube channel: ([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3\\_CeNJw40A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3_CeNJw40A)).
- ◇ **Regular Council Meetings** can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV (<https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings>).
- ◇ **Agendas**, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/>.
- ◇ **Minutes**, after they are passed, are available at: <https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/>.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "**Download Agenda**".



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

Date	Time	Meeting
7/18/2023	5:00 - 9:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting - (Strategic Planning Session)
7/19/2023	6:00 PM	Special Park Commission Meeting
<del>7/20/2023</del>	<del>6:00 PM</del>	<del>Tree Advisory Commission Meeting</del> — CANCELED
<del>7/25/23</del>	<del>10:00 AM</del>	<del>Patriots Landing Village Master Plan Meeting</del> — CANCELED
7/25/2023	1:00 - 7:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting - (Strategic Planning Session) (in lieu of Regular Council Meeting) <a href="#">Public Notices   DuPont, WA - Official Website (dupontwa.gov)</a>
8/7/2023	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
8/8/2023	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission
8/8/2023	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting

## ACTIVITIES—SAVE THE DATE

Date	Activity	Location/Information
7/20, 7/27, 8/3, 8/10, 8/17	Farmers Market	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/566/Farmers-Market">https://www.dupontwa.gov/566/Farmers-Market</a>
7/27, 8/3	Concerts in the Park	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/534/Concerts-in-the-Park">https://www.dupontwa.gov/534/Concerts-in-the-Park</a>
7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/9, 8/16	Summer Stories & Crafts	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids">https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids</a>
7/17 - 7/12	Challenger Soccer Camps	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/548/Camps">https://www.dupontwa.gov/548/Camps</a>
7/29/2023	Fairy Trails	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids">https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids</a>
7/29 - 7/30	Sequalishoot 2023	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids">https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/11586/Kids</a>
8/4/2023	Mayors Cup Scramble	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events">https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events</a>
8/5/2023	Citywide Yard Sale (as a reminder, this is not a city sponsored event)	<a href="#">Calendar • DuPont, WA • CivicEngage (dupontwa.gov)</a>
8/5/2023	Gansango Music & Dance Program	<a href="https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids">https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids</a>